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In response to the Final Office Action dated September 22, 2008, Applicant respectfully requests entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification: None.

Amendments to the Drawings: None.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on

page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.